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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASE - FLOAT GLASS

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON, ITALIAN AMBASSADOR GAJA MENTIONED RECENT TREASURY DECISION COUNTERVAILING ITALIAN FLOAT GLASS. THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S CONCERN, HE SAID, IS NOT THE COMMERCIAL IMPORTANCE OF THE DECISION, BUT THE PRINCIPLE INVOLVED, I.E., THAT ITALY'S MEZZOGIORNO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SHOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW.

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2. IN REPLY, ROBINSON EXPLAINED THAT US LAW REQUIRES TREASURY TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS AND DOES NOT EXEMPT REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIES FROM THE INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURE. THUS IN THIS CASE TREASURY, AS A LEGAL MATTER, COULD NOT REACH A RULING FAVORABLE TO ITALY IN THE ABSENCE OF INFORMATION REGARDING SUBSIDIES PAID.

3. IN CONCLUSION, THE UNDER SECRETARY TOLD GAJA THAT SINCE TREASURY CAN REVIEW ITS DECISION AT ANY TIME, HE HOPED THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT LET MATTER OF PRINCIPLE STAND IN THE WAY OF THE POSSIBILITIES FOR A PRAGMATIC SOLUTION, AND WILL THEREFORE BE ABLE PROVIDE ALL THE INFORMATION NEEDED TO REVIEW THE CASE. KISSINGER

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